

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: Morris Jones  
SERIAL NO.: 09/261,640  
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TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TEXT IMAGE  
STRETCHING  
EXAMINER: Yang, R.  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-8 and 20 without prejudice.

**REMARKS**

This amendment is being made to pursue Class II as defined by the restriction requirement of November 15, 2000.

In view of the foregoing, consideration and an early allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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